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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

At the Director's instruction, I telephoned Colonel Ralph D. Steakley, on Saturday, 3 October, and told him that the intelligence community was extremely anxious to have as total and complete coverage of Cuba obtained, just prior to the elections, as was possible. He understood perfectly and said that they were thinking the same thing and no further action was necessary. This request was based on the possibility that in light of many recent threats the Cubans might attempt a shoot-down of a U-2 after the elections and if there was a stand-down of further coverage for an appreciable period of time because of this, we should most certainly have the most current information we could obtain.

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